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<u>AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE</u>

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Advisory Action mailed April 1, 2008, and the arguments set forth in the Office Action mailed September 19, 2007. On March 18, 2008 a Notice of Appeal with a request for a third month extension of time was submitted. In lieu of an Appeal Brief, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response. Concurrently filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicants respectfully petition and request a one-month extension of time. If any additional fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 22-0261, with reference to Attorney Docket No. 31894-202099, and notify the undersigned counsel accordingly.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.